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1. According to a statement of Waldemar Langlet, Chief of the Swedish Red Cross Delegation to Budapest, quoted in the Swedish Red Cross Report, 20 March 1945, Raul Wallenberg, secretary of the Swedish Legation in Budapest, disappeared in January and is supposed to have been killed by the Gestapo. Source reports that Wallenberg had close American connections and furnishes the following details concerning his person and activity.

2. At the beginning of the Jewish persecution in Hungary in June 1944, American authorities as well as Hungarian resistance groups in Stockholm were greatly concerned because of their helplessness to do anything to save the people in question from mass deportation. On the suggestion of one of the Hungarians, American authorities asked the Swedish Foreign Office to attach a new member to the Swedish Legation in Budapest with the special mission of dealing with the Jewish question in Hungary. The funds required for this activity were advanced by the American War Refugee Board.

3. Raul Wallenberg, a young Swedish businessman, member of the banking family of same name, was selected to perform the task described. Wallenberg left for Budapest in July 1944. Subsequent reports indicated a very energetic activity on his part in Budapest. The issuance of Swedish letters of protection to several thousands of Hungarian Jews, the establishing of Jewish camps under the control of the Swedish Legation, as well as the unsuccessful attempt to save Jewish children out of Hungary were direct results of his efforts.

4. Wallenberg maintained connections with German authorities dealing with the Jewish question in Hungary. It is known that he had contact

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with Legationrat Brubbe, Chief of the Jewish section in the Budapest German Legation. Brubbe knew about Wallenberg's special interests in the Jews and turned him several times.

5. Wallenberg was an eye-witness of the whole development of the Jewish question in Hungary. The other eye-witness is Mr. Per Lager who was also initiated in the plan described above.

Comments: The Swedish newspaper Dagens Nyheter, 6 March, described in some detail Wallenberg's courageous activity on behalf of the Jews, preceding his disappearance on 17 January. This account is quoted in full in the British publication, New Direct, 6 March, No. 1788, paragraph 6-4.